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GRAND JURY IN WICHITA RETURNS INDICTMENTS

Wichita, Kan. – United States Attorney Eric Melgren announced that four individuals were indicted Jan. 11, 2005 by a federal grand jury in Wichita, Kan. Those indicted include:

Juan Renteria-Olivas, 59, who is charged with one count of distributing approximately 83 grams of methamphetamine on Nov. 18, 2003 in Haskell County, Kan.

If convicted, he faces a maximum penalty of not less than five years and not more than 40 years in federal prison and a fine up to \$2 million. The case was investigated by the Kansas Bureau of Investigation. Assistant U.S. Attorney Blair Watson is prosecuting.

Miguel Angel-Trevizo, 25, who is charged with three drug violations: distributing one ounce of a mixture containing cocaine on Dec. 29, 2004; distributing 1,250 grams of a mixture containing cocaine on Jan. 7, 2005; and possessing with intent to distribute three ounces of a mixture containing cocaine on Dec. 29, 2004. The alleged offenses occurred in Sedgwick County, Kan.

If convicted, he faces a maximum penalty of 20 years in federal prison and a fine up to \$1 million. The case was investigated by the Wichita Police Department. Assistant U.S. Attorney Blair Watson is prosecuting.

Federico Hernandez-Velasquez, 27, a citizen of Mexico, who is charged with illegally reentering the United States after having been deported following conviction on an aggravated felony. He was found in El Dorado, Kan., on Aug. 19, 2004.

If convicted, he faces up to 20 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine. The case was investigated by Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Assistant U.S. Attorney Brent Anderson is prosecuting.

Eliberto Quezada-Duran, who is charged with one count of making a false claim of being a United States citizen; one count of misusing a Social Security number, one count of using a false document to be employed in the United States; and one count of unlawful possession of false identification documents. The alleged offenses occurred from November 2003 to October 2004 in Salina, Kan.

If convicted, he faces a maximum penalty of three years in federal prison and a \$250,000 fine on the charge of making a false claim of citizenship; up to five years in federal prison and a \$250,000 fine on the charge of misusing a Social Security number; up to 10 years and a \$250,000 fine on the charge of using a false document to be employed; and up to 15 years and a \$250,000 fine on the charge of unlawful possession of five or more false identification documents. The case was investigated by Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the Salina Police Department. Assistant U.S. Attorney Brent Anderson is prosecuting.

As in any criminal case, a person is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty. The Indictments filed merely contain allegations of criminal conduct.